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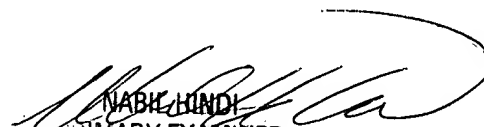
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In re the Application of

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SUPPLEMENTAL REPLY BRIEF

This appeal was remanded to the examiner on January 6, 2004, for the purpose of reconsideration of the recapture rejection in light of the precedential Board decision in *Ex parte Eggert et al.*<sup>1</sup> decided May 29, 2003 by an expanded panel of the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences. This Decision illuminates various CCPA and CAFC decisions cited in the Answer, such as *Hester Industries*, *In re Clement*, *Ball Corp.*, *Pannu*, and *Mentor*.

The Supplemental Examiner's Answer (hereinafter, "Answer") of January 24, 2005, addresses various issues in addition to those raised by *Eggert*.

This Supplemental Reply Brief addresses the points of argument asserted in the Answer, which include (1) arguments directed to the

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<sup>1</sup>67 USPQ2d 1716 (BPAI 2003); hereinafter, "*Ex parte Eggert*," "*Eggert et al.*" or "*Eggert*" refers to this decision and not the earlier board decisions also involving *Eggert et al.*